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### The New Republican Club.

Last Saturday the preliminaries and plans talked over for a week or two in Republican political circles, culminated in the organization of a new Club, composed largely of younger men more or less intimately connected with the Republican party. The constitution is a strong presentation of Republican principles, and if the new organization shall develop the ability to induce the great mass of the rank and file to march in close order and at cadence step with its declarations, so much the better for the party in whose interests it is organized.

The new club reminds the editor of the Lynn Item of the war times, when so many regiments, with a full roster of officers, were organized on paper, but failed to be of any service to the state or the nation because few or no enlisted men came forward to fill up the companies. The lesson above all others which the average Republican needs to learn is, that individual independence in minor matter and individual preferences for candidates must, at least occasionally, give way to the will of the majority, as expressed in caucus or convention; and we question if a club composed and officered by men who for years have been conspicuous as bolters of all sorts of nominations which they did not suggest, and "kickers" against any party plank in which they were not in full accord, can teach this lesson effectively. But perhaps the experiences of the last election taught them a lesson. They come now to the front as leaders. Will the men they helped defeat and the thousands who enthusiastically supported them and are not yet fully reconciled to the treatment they received, repay in kind or show the forgiving spirit conspicuous in political matters by its absence?

Mme. LePlongeon, the celebrated traveller and explorer, is to give a course of lectures under the auspices of the New England Woman's Press Association, describing the work of herself and Dr. LePlongeon in Yucatan. Life among the ruins of this almost unknown land, the remarkable discoveries made by the explorers, and their interesting accounts of the country and natives, are a most fascinating subject which never fails to please all who listen; while the pictures—their own work—which are thrown on the screen, can not be surpassed in clearness and beauty. Mme. LePlongeon is the only woman who has lived among the deserted old cities in the forests of Yucatan. She has endured much hardship during her journeyings, and escaped many dangers, having lived for months together on the territory of hostile Indians who give no quarter. In recognition of her services to science the geographical society of Paris has asked for her portrait to place in its album of celebrated travelers. The lectures are to be given in Tremont Temple, beginning Friday evening, Jan. 16th, and continuing on the evenings of Wednesday the 21st and Friday the 23d, with two matinees especially for ladies and suburban lovers of good things on Monday afternoons, Jan. 19th and 26th. Tickets at popular prices, to be had at the Temple or of members of the Woman's Press Association.

Mr. J. B. Thomas, of Charlestown, whose death occurred on Tuesday, was known to many of our readers because for a few years he had a summer residence in Lexington. He was a many times millionaire, and as director in the great Sugar Trust, and having immense real estate holdings in California and in the east, exerted a wide influence in business circles. Mr. Thomas was open handed in his benevolence, and in his bounty the Grand Army of the Republic had a generous share.

The Supreme Court has decided that towns and cities cannot engage in the manufacture of gas or electricity for lighting purposes.

Between the issue of Saturday evening's paper and the printing of Monday's edition, the Lynn Daily Item removed from the quarters taken after the great conflagration in which their building and plant shared the general fate of the business portion of Lynn, to the handsome new building on the site of the old one, and issued their regular edition on time. Not only this, but the proprietors celebrated the event by enlarging the paper one column on each page and lengthening all of them one inch, making 64 columns, 21 inches long, the same size as the Boston Herald and Globe. The press department is in duplicate, to be safe against accidents, and everything about the new establishment is on the same progressive plan. The immense quantity of advertising in the Item, even at this dull season, is proof that the enlargement was a necessity. May increased prosperity attend the Messrs. Hastings in their new newspaper home.

Wednesday night the U. S. Senate came to a vote on the Free Silver bill and after disposing of all restrictive amendments offered, passed the full Free Coinage measure introduced by the silver kings of the Pacific coast. This was accomplished by the almost solid vote of the Democratic Senators (only three voting against) and a handful of Republicans, and yet every daily in the eastern states throws the blame for this prospect of a dangerous inflation of the currency upon the Republican party. If the House of Representatives has any good sense it will shelve the bill and leave the immense Democratic majority controlling in the next Congress to shoulder the responsibility for the enactment of a measure for which the party is mainly responsible.

The terrible Indian war now in progress, excites universal attention, and a history of the thrilling events connected with it will be eagerly sought after. The enterprising publishers, S. S. Seranton & Co., Hartford, Conn., have in preparation and will issue soon as possible after the decisive battle, a work of about 500 pages, by W. Fletcher Johnson, author of "Johnstown Flood," giving a graphic sketch of Sitting Bull, the Medicine Man, and the leading chiefs, and a complete richly illustrated history of the whole terrific struggle. Agents should write at once to the publishers, who give liberal terms and pay freight.

Tuesday evening's paper announced the death of Mr. James Trowbridge, the last survivor of a negro minstrel organization that years ago had a world-wide reputation.—Morris Bros. Pell and Trowbridge Minstrels. Mr. Trowbridge was a basso profundo of real merit as a vocalist, and a man of correct habits. While his associates scattered their immense incomes in various ways, Mr. Trowbridge was careful and prudent, and when the combination was broken by death retired to enjoy the fortune acquired.

Gen. Jacob H. Gallinger, of Concord, has won the nomination for U. S. Senator in the caucus of Republican members of the New Hampshire Legislature, and will therefore succeed Hon. Henry W. Blair in the next Congress. The nomination was reached on the second ballot.

The Water Board of Lowell refused to turn on the water for a tenant until a bill for water incurred by a former tenant had been settled. The Supreme Court now decides that the Water Board cannot withhold the water from a man who *per se* does not owe them anything. And this is common sense.

What measures, if any, are the temperance people going to introduce to arouse interest in the matter of keeping this town in the No License column? We know that the license people will strive to capture the vote, relying upon the indifference of citizens.

Another strenuous effort is being made in Congress to secure a pension for Gen. Banks. Congressman Greenhalge is taking the lead in this matter and believes he will succeed, as there is no strong opposition.

In the controversy as to approaches to the new bridge between Cambridge and Boston, the former has won in every case and at last has the decision of the Supreme Court in her favor. Now let the bridge, completed months ago, be opened to the public and utilized.

The news coming to hand this morning indicates a closing of the Indian war without the bloody battle anticipated for several days past.

Under the title "A True Man Fallen," Rev. Dr. Hamlin, of Lexington, writes to a Hartford, Conn., paper, the following estimate of the character of an old newspaper man who occasionally furnished matter for these columns:—

Mr. Charles A. Stackpole of Lexington, Mass., one of the constant readers and writers of the Religious Herald, passed away the 16th of December. His name did not appear appended to his communications, but he was a constant writer to a number of religious and political papers. He belonged to the past in her most intense active life in Bangor and Portland. He was a man of splendid native powers and was fitted for college in Portland academy with every prospect of distinction as a scholar. It is greatly to be regretted that circumstances should have turned him aside from the very path he should have pursued. He put on the Christian armor in early life and was a faithful and sound Christian man, a constant student of the Bible, a profound believer in it as the Word of the living God. Very early, from 1834 and onward through his whole life he became, an earnest advocate to total abstinence, and also of the abolition of slavery. It was not by any means popular to be at the same time a "temperance fanatic" and an "abolition fanatic." He was both pre-eminently, in the language of those days. His addresses were pungent, religious, direct, never long, always listened to with profound attention, and often with rapturous applause. In the "Free Soil Party" he was a leader but would not be a candidate for office. He was uncompromisingly honest and just. His interest in moral and social questions often conflicted with his business. He was successively merchant, cashier of a bank, editor of a newspaper, farmer, and so forth. He showed fine capacity in all his employments. He might have risen to eminence in every one of them. He lacked continuance. He would moreover sacrifice a fine prospect which he thought might conflict with conscience. His conscience ruled him. He obeyed her dictates without hesitation. Come what may he would be at peace with himself. He never concealed his sentiments. He never failed openly to avow and advocate them, however unpopular, if occasion occurred. And yet Mr. Stackpole was generally liked even by his opponents. His honesty, frankness, fairness disarmed antagonism to a great extent. He had fine social qualities, a remarkable memory and was a close reader of history, and had wide acquaintance among men. With regard to men of influence and action, the professional and public men of Maine and the social, religious and political changes of the last sixty years he was an encyclopedia of ready information. His many articles on the sons of Maine in the Saturday issues of the Boston Evening Traveller are specimens of his conversation. Heart failure has kept him from active labor except of the most quiet and unexciting kind. He knew his liability to sudden death but regarded it with cheerful trust and hope. His mind had lost none of its activity. He had a very cheerful and happy old age. He was never more interesting than on Friday, the 12th of Dec. He made then an appointment with the writer to give Tuesday, the 16th, to the review of the earlier portion of our lives, and to the reading of some of his many newspaper articles. He was at meeting on the Sabbath as usual. He was cheerful as usual. The meeting on Tuesday took place; but he was sleeping the sleep of death, and no one of the early days remain who can fill his place. O that the church were filled with members of such clear convictions and earnest lives.

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### Deaths.

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You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court, to be held at Cambridge, in said County of Middlesex, on the first Tuesday of February next, at nine o'clock before noon, to show cause, if any you have, against the same. And said petitioners are hereby directed to give public notice thereof, by publishing this citation once a week, for three successive weeks, in the newspaper called the LEXINGTON MINUTE-MAN, printed at Lexington, the last publication to be two days, at least, before said Court.

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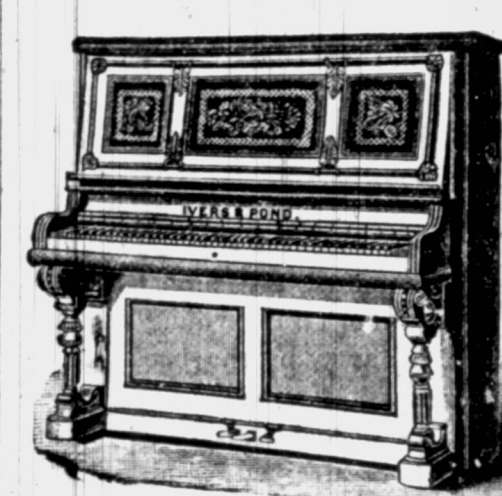
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Yo, heave ho!  
Aloft and aloo  
Elf sailors are singing,  
Yo, heave ho!  
The breeze that is blowing  
So sturdily strong  
Shall fill up thy sail  
With the breath of a song.  
A lay at the mast-head  
Keeps watch o'er the sea;  
Blown amber of tresses  
Thy banner shall be;  
Thy freight the lost laughter  
That sad souls have missed,  
Thy cargo the kisses  
That never were kissed.  
And ho, for a lay maid  
Born merry in June,  
Of lusty red roses  
Beneath a red moon.  
The star pearls that midnight  
Casts down on the sea,  
Dark gold of the sunset  
Her fortune shall be.  
And ever she whispers  
More tenderly sweet,  
"Love am I, love only,  
Love perfect, complete.  
The world is my lordship,  
The heart is my slave;  
I mock at the ages,  
I laugh at the grave.  
Wilt sail with me ever,  
A dream-haunted sea,  
Whose whispering waters  
Shall murmur to thee  
The love-haunted lyrics  
Dead poets have made  
Ere life had a fetter,  
Ere love was a fraud?"  
Then up with the anchor  
Set sail and away!  
The ventures of love-land  
Are thine for a day.

—[S. Weir Mitchell, M. D., in Harper

## "FORSAKEN."

Dick Dormers and Ivan Bruce journeyed by the mail car that ran from Westport to Achill on a fine September day in 1889. Dormers was an Englishman who had inherited a Scotch property and wore a Tam o' Shanter cap out of compliment to it. He was 30 years of age, and was "doing" the West of Ireland for the second time that year, having been over in the spring and hunted an April fox on the confines of Clare. Bruce was a born Caledonian, and as such wore an English touring suit. He had spent all the latter years of his life abroad. Dormers had come to Achill to fish off the Head, to make the ascent of Croughan, and to see a winsome face which he had viewed (and interviewed) during his first visit in the spring. "I shall come again," he had promised the trustful owner of it, and although he was quite a commonplace young English man, so far as ordinary sins went, he never really broke his word to a woman.

The Scotchman had but one actual object in going—namely, to redress, if possible, a wrong he had been guilty of in his unregenerate days, but he did not care to mention it, lest the time for redressing might be over. So he pretended curiosity to revisit the country in which some of his early years had been passed, and also a desire to pick up "an Irish horse or two," and perhaps a couple of ponies.

When they got to Dugort and had dined, the two went out for a stroll, and discussed their plans for the next day.

"I shall turn out early," said Dormers, "and do some fishing if the day is good enough; and if it isn't, why we can do Croughan, or the Watch Tower, or whatever else you like."

"Thank you," said Bruce, "but I believe I shall push on to Keem."

Mr. Richard Dormers was not often known to blush, but his face certainly reddened a little as he turned round quickly and scanned that of his friend.

"To Keem!" he repeated. "Why, how very odd! I must go there myself. Do you know the place at all?"

"Yes, or at least I did years ago. I have no doubt there are plenty of changes now."

Both men had evidently something to hide. However, although they looked rather curiously at one another, they smoked a peaceful pipe together, listened to the song of the grasshopper warbler as it reeled out its continuous little "whirr, whirr," like the spinning of a fishing reel—and then went back to their hotel to have what they called "an early turn in."

Next morning betimes they set out for Keem. Situated on the southern slope of the mighty Croughan and in the midst of the most beautiful emerald green pastures they found the picturesque village looking its loveliest the warm sunshine lighting up the perfectly golden strand beneath it, and a refreshing breeze stealing in from the wide sea, and stirring the dahlias and gladioli in the well-cared little gardens. Before they came within sight of habitations, however, they had to pass through a piece of unfrequented land, with the ruins of a cottage upon it, the old roof of which

was covered with shaking grasses and loose stones. Close to it was a wall, with an ivy-twined cross on the margin, and from this a perfectly clear stream went babbling away to join a score of others in the meadows.

Dormers was foremost when they came up to the spot, and Bruce saw him start and heard him utter an exclamation as he turned quite round and drew his comrade quickly into shadow.

"Hush!" he whispered, "don't speak, or she'll be frightened; but look, and tell me presently what you think."

Bruce, rearing up his tall, straight figure, peeped silently over the slanting corner of the ruined cottage roof, and saw a dark haired, dark eyed splendidly handsome girl setting down a pitcher, which was much too heavy for her, and with the effort flushing her cheeks with becoming crimson.

Having placed her pitcher by the cottage wall she was about to resume her burden and go her way, when her eye caught Bruce's helmet, and blushing and confused, she glanced at him inquiringly. The young man hesitated whether to retire or go forward; but the latter impulse prevailed, and involuntarily lifting his head, covering he asked her about the welfare of a Mrs. Jolliffe, who had years ago lived at Keem.

"She is dead, sir," the girl answered simply; "but her husband is alive, and I live with him."

"Over in that direction?" Bruce asked, pointing away to the right.

"Yes, sir; just there. He's now old and weak, and I come to the brook every morning for water, and save him carrying it up."

She did not wait for further converse, but declining the aid he offered her, poised her pitcher gracefully upon her strong young shoulder and walked away by the back of the ruined hut.

Dormers started forward as she did so, but was restrained by his friend.

"Well, I call this cool," the young Englishman said; vexedly. "You monopolize all the talk. By Jove, I'll go after her and let her know that I have kept my promise."

Bruce, instead of answering, quietly linked the speaker's arm within his own.

"You shall see her presently," he said; "but meanwhile I have something serious enough to talk to you about. Seventeen years ago my mother (a widow) died, leaving me to take charge of a little two-year-old girl—a sister's child, whom she had adopted. I was a lad, without much ballast or money. An advertisement about a fishery tempted me to this part of Ireland, and being charmed with Achill (though the fishery turned out a myth), I stopped on here with the little one at the house of a farmer named Jolliffe, his good wife being particularly taken with the child. Well, one day I fell in with some men who were making up a party to tempt fortune in California. It didn't take much to persuade me to join them. I gave the Jolliffes what cash I could spare to care for my little cousin, and away I started, promising to be back in five years.

"The fellows I went with were honest enough, but we met with no good luck for a long while, and when the five years were up I had scarcely enough money to keep body and soul together where I was, and not a cent had I to send home. I'm ashamed to tell you that things went on so for another five years—for I was a bad manager, an idler when I ought to have worked—and by that time the world had so hardened my heart that I almost forgot the Jolliffes and my obligations to them, and if I thought at all of the child I had left behind, it was only to think and hope that she might be dead. At length, as I have told you, I turned up gold. In time I grew pretty rich, came home to the old country, met you shortly after, and determined to break old ground again, and if possible do justice to these good people of Keem.

"Jolliffe is not a common name in this place. The man, I have learned, is alive, his wife is dead, and the girl whom we saw here at the well is Winfred Morison, my dead mother's niece. I have been everything that was wrong, I know, but I may yet repair matters; and as you have been good enough to restrain yourself from interrupting me or knocking me down will you please go straight to Mr. Jolliffe's cottage and tell him and Winfred that when Ivan Bruce shall have pulled himself together bit (for I am really upset, old chap), he will come right up and ask their pardon, and that they will let him shake them once more by the hand."

Two hours after a merry, laughing trio—two men and a girl—were climb-

ing up the great shelving shoulder of Slieve Croughan, by the smooth moorland ascent; Winfred, or "Wisha," as they found she was called, neatly and prettily dressed, and quite as delighted with her new cousin as she was coy and timid with his friend. They climbed on further, to the very edges of the grand sea cliffs, and peeped down them into the green valleys far beneath, where the wild goats browsed, and the sea birds darted through the foam below, and Wisha pointed out to them on the right the crags of Broadhaven, and the islands of Innishglor, Innishkea and Devilaun, and on the left those of Turk, Boffin and Clare, with Clew Bay stretching right up to Westport, and the grand Crough Patrick Mountain forming its magnificent boundary on the south.

As they journeyed home to dinner Bruce talked a little about the future and of certain things he intended to do, and the restricted historian is bound to say that while the happy Scotchman paused to speak a word or two to a lad about a pony, the still happier Englishman found an opportunity to utter a word in another quarter on a very different topic—and when old Jolliffe chaffed Wisha on the subject of her complexion, over the homely little board, not one present believed a syllable of her cleverly concocted story about "a cow having frightened her" on the shelving cliffs of Croughan.—[London Dramatic News.

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**Deserted Farms in New England.**  
The report of the Labor Commissioner of Maine shows, notes the New York Press, "that over three thousand farms in that State have been abandoned by their former occupants. The same movement has been going on for years in other parts of New England. The native Americans are leaving the farms for the cities and the West. Some succeed in winning wealth and perhaps fame besides; the majority seldom achieve a better living than they would have had on the ancestral farm. But the farms do not all remain abandoned. Foreigners see their value and take them up for a song, eventually saving a competence by industry and patience from the soil that the some of the old settlers had deserted. There is something painful and pathetic in the spectacle of homesteads, which once sheltered the children of the Pilgrim and the Puritan, now tenanted by strangers who know nothing of the traditions and the struggles of the earlier occupants. For the present, perhaps, no change is likely."

**A Natural Inquiry.**  
A certain witty bishop found himself a few months ago crossing the Bay of Fandy, from Digby to St. John, in company with a certain Mr. Caswell. The Bay of Fandy has a reputation for turbulence only to be matched by the English Channel or the Bay of Biscay. Mr. Caswell was struggling with a violent attack of sea-sickness; but the bishop, who was above such weakness, was very cheerful, and inclined to conversation. He had failed, however, to catch Mr. Caswell's name correctly, and persisted in calling him "Mr. Aswell." At last the sufferer, in a moment of ease, corrected him, saying, "Caswell, my lord; my name is Caswell, not Aswell."

"Oh!" said the bishop, eying him critically, as a new spasm seized upon his unhappy acquaintance. "Well, Mr. Caswell, don't you think you would be Aswell without the sea?"—[Harper's Magazine.

## A SALT MINE.

### What a Reporter Saw a Thousand Feet Underground.

#### Loosening the Salt Rock with Charges of Dynamite.

A reporter has been visiting the Retsof Salt Mine, near Greigsville, N. Y. We quote from his account as follows: The descent at the Retsof is made without discomfort, the cage runs smoothly and there is an absence of the trepidation one experiences on the trip upward. In what seems a very few seconds we come to an abrupt stop at the floor of the mine, at a distance of almost exactly a thousand feet from the surface. Hurriedly we leave the car, for the moment it reaches the bottom, the door of the cage opens, a grim looking driver stands ready with his mule, and in less time than it takes to repeat "Jack Robinson" he has made his hitch to the car and is off with it up some of the many lines of railroad leading from the shaft into the various rooms and corridors of the mine.

Let us follow the mule driver and his car down one of the narrow passages, so narrow that one has to hug the side to avoid being struck by the approaching car that has now switched on to this track and comes rushing down. Soon we are in a large room and the gray salt around and over us lighted by the candles of the workmen with a flickering light, gives a jagged rock look to the interior. The snowy whiteness that one associates with salt is lacking, and the dull appearance of the interior is all the more surprising. Yet in some of the chambers there is a crystalline glistening and reflection of the light that makes the saltiness of the place seem more real. But there is a closeness of air and a certain dampness, notwithstanding the absence of water-drip, which bids us move on, and we do to a room where the salt rock is being loosened.

The important work is accomplished by the use of the steam drill of which the mine was using, as was discovered, some nine sets. There are a dozen drills in a set and the bank of drills is run upon its truck against the wall of salt rock and started downward into the wall at an angle of say 44 degrees. As soon as the drill-holes are of sufficient depth, the drills are pulled, the entire set wheeled out of harm's way, a row of dynamite cartridges placed in the holes, a wire from the battery attached, and, as the operator steps into an adjacent chamber, an explosion brings off the rock in great quantities. Diagonally upward, holes are next drilled, a second explosion bringing down the rock above the first, and so on.

The loading of this rock on the cars is done largely by hand, the men throwing on the larger pieces and resorting to their shovels only for the very finest rock. But to handle these salt boulders requires a large amount of breaking up with mallets or picks and in this, as in all else about the mine, we observe the greatest care to prevent rust, which is so natural to a salt mine. The mallets are of brass, the verdigris accumulating being preferable to the stain of iron rust. The shovels are of the brightest steel and are placed, when not in use, in a tank of running water. The mules' hoofs are encased in a leather boot, extended to above the knee and hock, to avoid the rust from their shoes.

On we wander from room to room, and we make a running estimate of the track mileage as we go. This estimate, confirmed by subsequent developments, would show that at least 15 miles of car track is now in use in the mine. There is plenty of rock yet to mine, and the mine is now using from 75 to 100 men ten hours a day in the mine, and about 75 above ground in getting about 500 tons of salt a day from this old sea bottom to the great markets of the world and turning it into the gold that doth not rust.

#### Form Different Standpoints.

Ethel—Oh, at last! It has been years, Alphonse, since I saw you.

Alphonse—Oh, my own Ethel, it has been centuries.

Ethel's father (up in the library)—Maggie who was that you just let in?

Maggie—It was Mr. Cumlotts, sir. Ethel's father—Great Guns, this is the ninth time he's been here this week. He might as well live here.—[Boston Courier.

#### Extending the Comparison.

She (adjusting her skates)—Oh, isn't the ice beautiful! The lake is like a huge mirror.

He—Yes, and if you don't look out you'll be pretty apt to see yourself in it.—[American Grocer.

## Poison-proof Animals.

Neither differences of organization in animals nor in the constitution of the poisonous substance generally afford any clew for interpreting an exceptional want of effect. Unaccountable is the immunity of rabbits against belladonna leaves (*Atropa belladonna*, deadly nightshade). You may feed them with belladonna for weeks without observing the least toxic symptoms. The meat of such animals, however, proves poisonous to any who eats it, producing the same symptoms as the plant. Pigeons and various other herbivora are also to some degree safe from the effects of this poison, while in warm-blooded carnivora it causes paralysis and asphyxia. In frogs the effect is a different one, consisting of spasms.

The meat of goats which had fed on hemlock has sometimes occasioned poisonous effects. Chickens are nearly hardly against nux vomica and the extremely dangerous alkaloid, strychnine, contained in it, while in the smallest amount it is fatal poison to rodents. More remarkable yet in this respect is immunity of *Choleopus Hoffmanni*, a kind of sloth, living on the island of Ceylon, which, when given ten grains of strychnine, was not much affected. Pigeons are possessed of high immunity from morphine, the chief alkaloid of opium, as well as from belladonna. Eight grains were required to kill a pigeon, not much less than the mortal dose for a man. Cats are extremely sensitive to foxglove (*Digitalis purpurea*), which on the contrary may be given to rabbits and various birds in pretty large doses.—[The Popular Science Monthly.

## Rain by Artificial Means.

Captain James Allen, acting signal officer of the War Department, in reply to interrogatories recently addressed to him regarding the probability of producing rain by artificial means, said: "One fact would seem to be easily admitted, that an attempt to explode gunpowder in order to practically demonstrate the advisability of attempts in rain production should at first be made after most careful consideration of the atmospheric conditions. For example, if these explosions should be made in the centre of a high area, as shown by our weather maps, or even after a low area has passed any point, we may be absolutely certain no rain will follow. The first experiments should be undertaken to the southeast or east of a low area, and 300 to 600 miles from the centre.

"Observing stations should be established every five or 10 miles for 200 miles to the eastward of the point of explosion. If the explosions are made in a comparatively clear sky and after the unmistakable clouds are observed to the eastward and not to the westward, some connection may be surmised. It must be said, however, that even if the production of rain be practicable, it can only be for a very limited area, and it is believed that any benefit which can possibly arise from such rain can never amount to the expense of the enterprise."—[Scientific American.

## A Carp's Tenacity of Life.

Mr. H. Yost, Jr., of this city tells a fish story that is worthy to rank with the classics, only that there are any number of witnesses to prove its truth and the fish still lives.

"Last Friday morning," says Mr. Yost, "I bought a number of fish, among them a handsome German carp, the first of the kind I had seen this season. I placed them on a marble slab and covered them with ice to keep them cold and moist. Later on I hung up the carp, as he was on a split or swing such as fishermen use in bunching fish. While handling him I noticed a slight convulsion pass through his body and a movement of his tail.

"I was naturally surprised, for I knew that carp had been caught at least forty-eight hours before, but on a closer examination I noticed unmistakable signs of life, and I placed him in fresh water. In about two hours he began to breathe, and then I transferred him to a large tub, where he has continued to improve so rapidly that now he swims about as stout as any carp in Potomac River.—[Washington Star.

## The Effects of Coffee.

"I drink," remarked a gentleman to me recently, "four or five cups of coffee daily. If I stop drinking coffee I get a headache." Another gentleman of my acquaintance, on the other hand, gets a racking neuralgic headache every time that he even takes a very small quantity of coffee, and a Bostonian who became blind, a film having formed before his eyes, found that his sight was restored when he stopped drinking coffee.—[Epoch.

## CHILDREN'S COLUMN.

### THE POOR BOY.

His face was a picture of beauty and health, And his cheeks were as red as the rose, His eyes were as bright As the stars of the night. But he didn't wear very good clothes. Two little brown curls found a hole in his hat, While others hid under its brim, While the people passed by, Never turning an eye On a poor little fellow like him.

His little red hands hung down by his side As he looked in the window to see All the beautiful toys That would please little boys More blest and more happy than he. His father was dead and his mother was poor, And the crowd kept on hurrying by. Then he picked up a sack, Threw it over his back, And he left with a tear in his eye.

He thought of his mother in bed at home sick And his feelings he tried to control As he stopped here and there On the street everywhere To pick up a stray lump of coal. A gentleman gave him a quarter to go And purchase some nice little toy. And the heart that was sad In the breast of that lad Never beat in a happier boy.

He lifted the rim of his little brown hat And thanked him, the proudest of boys, But he never went back To that store with his sack To invest in purchasing toys. No! not on he went to the river in haste, With a feeling of joy in his soul. No toys had he bought, For the little boy thought Of his mother, and spent it for coal.

—[Will S. Hayes in Commercial Gazette.

### LENGTH OF LIFE IN BEE-LAND.

The life of a bee depends upon how much work it does. In the busy summer months they do not live much more than thirty or forty days, but in the winter, when resting in a half-asleep state, they may live six months. In the summer season they lead lives of the greatest activity.

### THE EAR OF CORN.

A farmer went out into his field with his little son to see whether the corn would soon be ripe.

"Father, how is it?" said the boy, "that some stalks bend so low to the earth, and others hold up their heads? Are not the straight ones the best? The others which stoop low down before them are surely not as good, are they?" The father plucked off two ears, and said:

"See, this ear which bent modestly is full of the finest corn, but that which stretched upward proudly is quite barren and empty."

"To carry one's head up very high Is often a sign of vanity."

### TAMED BY KINDNESS.

We have heard of taming almost everything, but we were surprised when we read in the Christian at-Work some time ago of a lady taming a wasp. She found one on her window which appeared to be dead, but it was only chilled by the frost, and when she took it upon a piece of paper and put it by the fire as soon as it became warm it flew to the window again, where it stayed all day. The next morning it was again chilled so it could not move, and she put it near the stove again, when it did as it had done the day before. So she continued to do every morning for some days. But one day she was surprised to find that it flew up on her shoulder instead of going to the window. She put her finger near its head and it crawled upon it. From that time she began to feed it with pieces of apple and pear, and after that it would fly to the lady many times during the day and the two became great friends.

**"GRANDFATHER OF THE RUSSIAN NAVY."**  
Peter the Great traveled to Holland in search of knowledge and the mechanic arts.

Here learning also how to build boats, he returned to Russia and constructed with his own hands the big double-bowed whale boat which has been dubbed "the grandfather of the Russian navy," and from which sprang literally the first great fleet of Russia.

In visiting St. Petersburg today you are shown Peter's cottage, built of round logs and painted red, the palace that he built in 1703, and from which he superintended the building of his new capital. It contains only two rooms and a kitchen, their combined size being about fifty-five feet by twenty feet in breadth.

The bed-room on the left, in which he also dined, has been converted into a chapel of the Russian-Greek faith and is often crowded with worshippers, who are attracted by an ikon of the Savior, which accompanied Peter in his battles and effected the discomfiture of Charles XII. at the famous battle of Poltava. A substantial house has been erected over this historic cottage and the whaleboat of Peter, together with the rude bench on which he sat, are also preserved there.—[Chicago Herald.



## COUNTERFEITERS.

Their Capture Is an Extremely Difficult Matter.

They Work in Gangs and are Ruled by a Chief.

The Secret Service Bureau in this city is not a widely-advertised place and the methods used in detecting the counterfeit money men are kept as close as the name of the bureau would imply. Outside of the office itself there is probably not any one who knows how many men are employed in running down those who make and sell the base coin or counterfeit the bills. This kind of detective work is one of the most difficult, as the counterfeiter is usually a man who is intelligent and careful to keep his track well concealed. The days when he manufactured his coin or worked over the bit of paper to make a note in some country recess are over. The large cities are now found to be the most secure spots for the making of counterfeit money, and there he is less liable to be discovered.

At the least suspicion he is enabled to pack up and move away on half an hour's notice. The maker of the money never passes it. He would not bend to such low work. He is the skilled artisan who only makes and sells at wholesale. There is also a middleman who buys the stuff and makes a profit in selling it in small quantities to the men who do the passing. So the detectives, who find little difficulty in securing the poor ignorant fellows who go around to small stores and buy a cheap article and then offer a bad dollar, procuring good change, meet with obstacles at every step in trying to get their clutches on the principals. Often a month elapses, during which the detectives are kept busy following up clues, before they get near the man, and then are baffled by his suddenly changing his usual haunts and retreats.

To get the evidence is also a very difficult matter and the law is strict, requiring that the arrested man had the intent to pass and knew it was counterfeit money, while in the case of the manufacturer the evidence must connect him with the making of the coin. If a quantity of tools are found in a house which are clearly used in making bad coin the defense will be set up that the plant was left by a boarder or some other person and the arrested party will claim he was not aware of their nature, and a cloud of reasonable doubt will be raised by the lawyer defending him. So the detectives always try to catch the maker in the act of making.

The detective must use great care not to throw out the least word that could be taken suspiciously by the man against whom he is collecting evidence. Once in a while a passer, when arrested, will disclose the maker, but that is rare, and for the most part they remain mute while going through the process of law, and never give a hint as to where they procured the stuff. Of course the old counterfeiters, on coming out of prison, are watched, but not much useful information is gained in this manner. There are several gangs of counterfeiters that the Secret Service men would like to get hold of. The two-dollar crowd are turning out lots of bad bills. The silver dollar men are evidently very active, while there seems to be as many bad quarters as ever. The makers of the latter class in this city have a large organization which works in apparent harmony.

For instance, there is a chief who rules the gang. If he is captured his mantle falls upon another member of the company, usually time of service being the qualification of promotion. The money is distributed among the passers, who go out in pairs, one to do the "showing," a coin at a time, while the other carries the bag and watches for danger. The Italians are the men who do most of the passing. Many use fruit stands to work off bad coins in change. It is not unlikely that a good deal of the small counterfeit money is made in Italy and sent over here.

To get these petty passers the detectives haunt the saloons, get acquainted with the men, and ingratiate themselves until they are trusted sufficiently to be sold the bad coin. Having once purchased a lot, the detective pretends that he has passed it, gets some more, and is introduced to others of the gang, and finally, when a goodly number have been placed, a raid is made and the men are gathered in.

Many bankers bring bills to the bureau for inspection, and an agent from the department at Washington travels through the country, visiting banks and financial houses, picking up bad

bills. A fine specimen was shown in this city lately of a pen-and-ink-made twenty-dollar bill. It had been made by a monomaniac, and was not for business purposes. — [New York Times.

### Growth of Brains.

In the inferior races the head ceases to grow after 20 years of age. In the superior races the head of the intelligent and educated man increases in volume until 35, 40 and 45 years. The skull has reached its maximum development when the bones composing it are wedged together, so as to render the sutures invisible. Once the sutures are solidified, the future growth of the brain is impossible, which is said to explain the insurmountable difficulty experienced in trying to teach illiterate adults.

The solidification varies according to the investigating activity of the brain. It takes place between the ages of 22 and 25 years in the task worker, between 28 and 35 in the middle class manual professions, and after 35 in educated persons who practise intellectual professions. Recent experiments in the female colleges of Russia prove that woman's head, though naturally smaller than man's, is susceptible to similar development under educational treatment. The skulls of great thinkers grow throughout life.

The frontal sutures of Pascal, Rousseau and others who lived to a ripe old age were found open. Comparison of the individual skulls of different races discloses the singular and important fact that in the inferior beings the solidification of the sutures begins in the frontal, or intellectual, region of the brain, and terminates in the occipital, or animal. In the case of the civilized man, on the contrary, the solidification, beginning much later in life, starts in the occipital, passes to the parietal bone, and thence to the frontal, thus giving to the last moment the fullest scope to the superior functions. — [Chicago News.

### "Uncle Sam's" Military Road.

The military road, of which I have just spoken, was constructed by the United States government to connect the military posts of the Far West with one another. Beginning at Fort Leavenworth, on the Missouri River, it passed through Fort Riley at the junction of the forks of the Kaw, and then, still keeping up the north side of the Republican Fork, went on to Fort Kearney, still farther west, then to Fort Laramie, which in those days was so far on the frontier of our country that few people ever saw it except military men and the emigrants to California. At the time of which I am writing there had been a very heavy emigration to California, and companies of emigrants, bound to the Golden Land, still occasionally passed along the great military road.

Interlacing this highway are innumerable trails and wagon-tracks, the traces of the great migration to the Eldorado of the Pacific; and here and there were the narrow trails made by Indians on their hunting expeditions and warlike excursions. Roads, such as our emigrants had been accustomed to in Illinois, there were none. First came the faint traces of human feet and of unhod horses and ponies; then the well-defined trail of hunters, trappers and Indians; then the wagon-track of the military trains, which, in course of time, were smoothed and formed into the military road kept in repair by the United States government. — [St. Nicholas.

### Feels Better.

"Are you happier since your second marriage?" he asked of his friend as they rode down town on a Broadway car.

"Oh, much happier."

"Then it was a case of love?"

"Exactly, the same as with my first, but there is this difference—I feel more settled."

"In your mind?"

"Yes, and all other ways. It was never quite clear in my first venture who ran the house, but in this case everything is plain sailing, and no occasion for dispute."

"She knuckled, eh?"

"Oh, no, she's boss." — [New York Sun.

### A Long Mortgage.

One of the oldest mortgages in the State was "lifted" in Lubec last week. Major Triscott, a Revolutionary hero, who died at Lubec in 1826, left by his will the sum of \$300, the income of which was to be devoted to the use of public schools in District No. 3, in that town. The money has been invested in a mortgage on one piece of real estate in Lubec for fifty years and the interest regularly paid. — [Pittsfield (Mass.) Advertiser.

### A Birthday Song.

When berries ridden on the thorn,  
O that's the time my love was born!  
When the leaves are scarlet in the vale,  
And all the feathered grasses pale,  
When humming wheels thrash out the corn,  
'Twas then my pretty love was born.

When hunters wind the merry horn,  
By woodland ways and acres shorn;  
In darkening days when nests are chill,  
In silent days when birds are still—  
Except the lark, who sings in scorn  
Of wintry care—my love was born.

O wailing month with tresses torn!  
O happy month no more forlorn!  
For thee, though earth lie mute below,  
In heaven the trumpet winds shall blow,  
The rose of eve, the star of morn,  
Shall crown the month my love was born.

— [Margaret L. Woods in Times-Democrat.

### HUMOROUS.

A fertile theme—The beaver hat.

An absorbing subject—A piece of blotting paper.

"A great movement on foot!"—  
When the elephant walks around.

The dime museum man holds a lien on the fat woman for advance salary.

Queen Victoria seldom retires before 2 a. m. Her son does not think she retires soon enough.

There isn't much deception about dressmakers. They are generally busy when they seam-sew.

It is true that an office-seeker may live to a green old age without ever reaching his declining years.

The members of the Farmers' Alliance may doubtless be set down as being in favor of hoe'em rule.

"Why—hello! You are the last person I expected to meet." "Well, I am the last person you have met."

"Does the cellar leak?" "No. It's had two feet of water in it ever since I've been in the house. Not a drop has got out."

Smiley—Now, remember, I don't want a very large picture. Photographer—All right, sir. Then please close your mouth.

He—"I fear I shall never be perfectly happy, my dear." She—"Why not, darling?" He—"Because I can never forget all the mean things I know about myself."

### The Skill of Criminals.

I have been struck lately by the way in which the public are interested in the work of criminals, not, I am sorry to say, in their hopes or prospects of reform, but in whatever is connected with their criminality and the prison life to which it leads. An inlaid wooden box made by Isaac Sawtell while in prison attracts crowds before a Washington street shop window, in which it is exhibited. The box, by the way, which is said to be composed of nearly forty-five hundred pieces of wood, is of excellent workmanship and shows the maker's ingenuity and hence to a good deal of advantage. It impressed me anew with the often expressed idea that if criminals would only use in respectable occupations the skill which they devote to nefarious ways of earning a living they would make handsome incomes. But there is something in the excitement of criminal practices which, in certain natures, has an attraction beyond the steady gain of humdrum honesty. — [Boston Post.

### Value of the Metals.

The jewelers' Circular tells its readers that in 1887 the valuation of the metals mined in the United States was estimated at \$250,000,000 and that of the minerals of every kind, including the natural gas and mineral waters, at \$288,000,000, as \$206,000,000 in 1886. Although precious metals are also found in the Alleghenies, the principal States where gold is found are California, Colorado and Dakota, while Colorado, Nevada, Utah and Montana are richest in silver.

The proportion in the yield of gold and silver has changed entirely since 1860; for the decade from 1860 to 1869, \$555,000,000 gold and \$555,000,000 silver were mined. The two decades from 1860 to 1879 showed a decided change—\$870,000,000 gold and \$442,000,000 silver; from 1880 to 1887 only \$264,000,000 gold and \$375,000,000 silver. In the year 1887 the mines furnished \$33,100,000 gold and \$53,400,060 silver.

### Smallest Book Ever Printed.

The smallest book ever printed since type was invented is, perhaps, the microscope edition of Dante's "Divine Comedy," which was exhibited at the Paris exposition of 1882. The volume of 200 pages was somewhat less than half an inch square. Two sheets of paper sufficed to contain all of the 14,823 verses. The type in this little book was cast in 1834, but no complete book had hitherto been turned out, the difficulties for compositors and revisers being so arduous that no one would continue the work for any length of time.

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**ABOUT TOWN MATTERS.**  
Notices of concerts, lectures, entertainments, etc., to which an admission fee is charged, must be paid for as advertisements, by the line.  
=Don't forget the Arlington Brass Band concert and dance, arranged for next Thursday evening, in Town Hall.  
=The "Clover Lend-a-Hand Club" realized a quite handsome sum for their treasury by the entertainment given in Town Hall, last week.  
=Mr. R. Walter Hilliard has a supply of tasteful calendars he will furnish to any calling at his insurance office on Arlington avenue.  
=Mr. Henry Frost, of Belmont, spending the winter months at Asheville, N. C., has been at home for a short time attending to private business affairs.  
=Societies and organizations desiring to have the list of officers published should instruct the secretary of each to forward the same to this office. The space will be gladly given.  
=Rev. E. H. Capen, D. D., President of Tufts College, will preach at the Universalist church, next Sunday, Rev. Mr. Tomlinson supplying the college pulpit in exchange.  
=We are glad to know that the recent fire in Hawley st., Boston, caused but a trifling interruption to the business of the firm of which Mr. B. B. Conant is the head.  
=The church will hold their meeting next Tuesday evening, at 7:30, p. m., in the large vestry. Interesting service will be given and those who have never attended are requested to be present.  
=Under the influence of the south wind and rain which set in last Sunday afternoon, the sleighing rapidly disappeared, but the lower strata of ice remained, leaving a first class base for more snow.  
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=In response to a demand made manifest in several ways, we have this week issued another time table calendar, and copies of the same can be had at this office, or of Messrs. Hall, Upham and Tilden. It is the most convenient and useful of any we have seen.  
=We were pleased this week to sign a petition to the Selectmen asking them to call a special town meeting to vote upon the matter of adopting the Australian system in balloting for town officers at the approaching spring election. After two years of trial of this system as applied to state affairs, the last vestige of opposition to it has been removed by the ease with which the voting is accomplished, the perfect independence of action it insures. By all means let us have the Australian ballot system adopted before the annual March meeting.  
=To show just what they could do when put to the test, Arlington Boat Club bowlers team piled up a score in the contest with the Newton team, last Friday evening, of which every one may well be proud. Three of the five made records of over five hundred, and the other two were so near that figure that the average exceeded 500, the grand total for the five being 2532, the second highest score yet made in the tournament. The Newtons played with substitutes for two of their best men, which accounts for the small total of their bowling. The Arlingtons took a lead of 121 pins on the first string, and in the second made one of the highest aggregates in the tournament. The visitors braced a little on the last string, but even then the home team came off victorious by 354 pins. The following is the full score:—

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Teams.	Games played.	Won.	Lost.
Arlington,.....	11	7	4
Casino,.....	11	8	3
Newton,.....	11	7	4
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=The young people's Social Club, of the Universalist society, will hold its meeting at the residence of G. W. Storer, Tuesday, Jan. 20, at 8 o'clock.  
=Tuesday evening Arlington Town Hall was in use by a company of about fifty couples from Waltham, in a social dance. They had planned for a sleigh ride, to end in this way, but Sunday's rain wiped out the sleighing, but could not spoil the dance, which came off as planned.  
=The Right Rev. Bishop Clark, of Rhode Island, held a confirmation, on Tuesday last, in St. John's church Divinity Episcopal school, Cambridge, for the benefit of several united parishes. Eighteen persons from West Somerville and Arlington were presented by the Rev. F. Pember, pastor of St. John's church, Adlington.  
=Representative Wm. H. H. Tuttle was chosen secretary of the Republican caucus of the House of Representatives, Wednesday, and subsequently was chosen one of a committee of three to act as a caucus committee for the session. The caucus was called to consider the silver resolutions offered by Mr. Quincy, and the caucus committee was instructed to prepare a substitute that more clearly expressed the opinion of the Republican majority of the House.  
=Mrs. Albert Gooding entertained the Chautauqua Circle, at their regular meeting, Monday evening. The study of English literature was continued, the following excellent program lending much interest to the topics under consideration:—Roll call, New Year's Greetings; paper, "The church in Elizabeth's reign," Miss Davidson; paragraph reading of "A Norman Lady," in January Chautauquan, by the Circle; games; brief outline history of Scotland, Mrs. Gooding; selected reading, Miss Whitaker; sketch, "Mary, Queen of Scots," Miss Simpson.  
=The young ladies' missionary society met in the parlor of the Orthodox Congregational church, Monday afternoon. The meeting was an exceptionally interesting one and was in charge of Miss Ames. Several of the young ladies read articles bearing on the subject of the meeting, which was the Indians in the west and educational work among the Negroes of the south. During the seven years which these young ladies were banded together in a similar society, and of which the present organization is an outgrowth, seven hundred dollars were contributed through their agency for the various charities and missionary work in which they were interested. This is an average of a hundred dollars a year and one to be proud of for so small a society.  
=Wednesday evening a lot of Arlington Boat Club members went to Auburndale to see the bowling match between their crack team and the Woodland Park Club team, and had the satisfaction of seeing a first class match, with victory perching on their banner. At the outset the Woodland bowlers had the best of the match, winning in the first string by six pins in the high score of 806. Arlington had the best of the next two strings, and won the match by 87 pins. Stevens still keeps to the front as high man, making in this game 533 pins. The following is the score:—

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Shepard,.....	147	138	145	430
Whittemore,.....	151	156	153	460
Hill,.....	161	159	167	487
Stevens,.....	199	168	166	533
Totals,.....	800	760	778	2338

**WOODLAND PARK CLUB.**

Bowler.	1st String.	2nd String.	3rd String.	Total.
Loring,.....	159	135	150	444
Dole,.....	145	146	145	436
Pearson,.....	163	149	147	459
Keith,.....	171	141	141	453
Raymond,.....	168	161	130	458
Totals,.....	806	732	713	2251

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On the same evening the Casinos dropped a game to the tail-enders, the Chelsea team, and this increases Arlington's grip on first position in the League which she now holds.  
=The annual meeting of Arlington Orthodox Congregational church proved to be a social event of more than usual importance in the life of the same. It was held last Wednesday evening, in connection with the monthly sociable of the ladies' missionary society, and through this means drew together a company that embraced a large proportion of the church membership, both young and old. Supper was served at seven o'clock, and was followed by a social hour while the tables were being cleared away. Then the meeting was called to order by Rev. S. C. Bushnell, pastor of the church. Reports were presented from the church officers, the Sunday school in its several branches, and the mission work among the ladies. By these reports it appeared there had been an increase in the membership of the Sunday school and the highest average attendance ever attained; that the benevolences of the church had increased over a hundred dollars, and that similar evidences of prosperity attended every one of its activities. An election of officers resulted in the choice of A. Winslow, clerk; Charles K. Crane, treasurer; Edwin Mills, deacon for three years; J. Herbert Frost, E. L. Churchill, church committee; Geo. H. Rugg, auditor. The only appropriation was \$125.00 for the Sunday school expenses.

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Flanders,.....	142	139	147	428
Shepard,.....	147	138	145	430
Whittemore,.....	151	156	153	460
Hill,.....	161	159	167	487
Stevens,.....	199	168	166	533
Totals,.....	800	760	778	2338

**WOODLAND PARK CLUB.**

Bowler.	1st String.	2nd String.	3rd String.	Total.
Loring,.....	159	135	150	444
Dole,.....	145	146	145	436
Pearson,.....	163	149	147	459
Keith,.....	171	141	141	453
Raymond,.....	168	161	130	458
Totals,.....	806	732	713	2251

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On the same evening the Casinos dropped a game to the tail-enders, the Chelsea team, and this increases Arlington's grip on first position in the League which she now holds.  
=The annual meeting of Arlington Orthodox Congregational church proved to be a social event of more than usual importance in the life of the same. It was held last Wednesday evening, in connection with the monthly sociable of the ladies' missionary society, and through this means drew together a company that embraced a large proportion of the church membership, both young and old. Supper was served at seven o'clock, and was followed by a social hour while the tables were being cleared away. Then the meeting was called to order by Rev. S. C. Bushnell, pastor of the church. Reports were presented from the church officers, the Sunday school in its several branches, and the mission work among the ladies. By these reports it appeared there had been an increase in the membership of the Sunday school and the highest average attendance ever attained; that the benevolences of the church had increased over a hundred dollars, and that similar evidences of prosperity attended every one of its activities. An election of officers resulted in the choice of A. Winslow, clerk; Charles K. Crane, treasurer; Edwin Mills, deacon for three years; J. Herbert Frost, E. L. Churchill, church committee; Geo. H. Rugg, auditor. The only appropriation was \$125.00 for the Sunday school expenses.

=The subject of Mrs. Abba Gould Woolson's next lecture will be "Isabella of Spain." Date: Jan. 22d.  
=Rev. I. C. Tomlinson, pastor of the Universalist church, has received a call to the church of that denomination in Cleveland, and has the same under consideration.  
=Tuesday evening the Newton team bowled with the Boston Athletic team, and in the third string rolled up a score that won the game and reversed the position of the clubs in the League table. Newton is third and Boston fourth.  
=The appointments of the committees of the Legislature were announced last Tuesday. Senator Raymond has a place on the Railroad committee; Representative Tuttle is House chairman of the Committee on Administrative Boards and Commissions.  
=The young peoples' meeting at the Orthodox Congregational church, will be conducted on Sunday evening next by Miss Emily Tolman. Her topic will be, "Why is Christ precious to you?" found in Eph. 2: 1, 10.  
=Last Sunday morning another company of young people were immersed at the Baptist church, after an impressive sermon preached by the pastor, Rev. C. H. Watson. The audience present was an unusually large one.  
=A party of boys and girls about twelve years of age made a jolly sleigh ride party, last Saturday afternoon, riding to Lexington and return in Clark's boat-sleigh. Mrs. S. G. Damon chaperoned the party. A similar party, only somewhat older young people, went on the ride the evening before, under the chaperonage of Mrs. Jas. A. Marden.  
=The Chas. V. Marsh Camp, Mass. Div. S. V. U. S. A., will hold a public installation of their officers in G. A. R. Hall, Arlington, this (Friday) evening. Quite a number of young men of this town are members of the Camp and Lexington will doubtless be represented on this interesting occasion.  
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Carter,.....	127	127	140	394
Brown,.....	143	123	168	434
Totals,.....	707	682	789	2178

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The Newton players were accompanied by a considerable delegation of club members and friends, and at the conclusion of the bowling, a pleasant social hour was enjoyed by all.  
The three highest aggregate scores made in the Amateur Inter-club Bowling League thus far are as follows: Boston Athletic Association, 2561; Arlington, 2532; Newton, 2500. The following is the standing of the clubs to date:

Teams.	Games played.	Won.	Lost.
Arlington,.....	11	7	4
Casino,.....	11	8	3
Newton,.....	11	7	4
Boston Athletic,.....	11	8	3
Woodland Park,.....	11	8	3
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=Regular meeting of Post 36, next Thursday evening.  
=Weather permitting the grand skating carnival will be held on Spy Pond to-morrow.  
=At the last regular meeting of the Royal Conclave of Knights and Ladies, the following officers were installed by District Deputy Dunning:—P. Councillor, Lady Fuller; Councillor, Lady J. C. Tufts; Vice-Councillor, Knight J. W. Robinson; Secretary, L. R. Warren; Finance, Lady Rose Johnson; Treasurer, Lady Laura Jost; Chaplain, Lady Alice Jacobs; Marshall, Knight Clifford Currier



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## Be Sure You're Right.

"Be sure you're right, then go ahead!" That's what a brave man wisely said, And every man in wisdom's light Can surely tell the wrong from right, So that the evil knowing, he May work for good and victory.

There will be some who'll gibe and sneer At humble effort, but 'tis clear That he who dares to do the right Shall some day conquer in the fight. If, heeding not the scoffers' cry, He march right on 'er faithfully.

The grandest victory ever won Are blessings sent for good deeds done, And richer far than crowns of gold, Or gems of fabulous wealth untold, Is that bright crown of gratitude The world gives to its brave and good.

Oh, toiler standing at the plow! Oh, workman with the sweating brow! Yours is the mission to fulfill.

The carrying out of Heaven's will, And yours the triumph of success, If bravely on you ever press.

Take courage, then, and do your best; There'll surely come a day of rest. When sweetest flowers shall strew your way, And cold December turn to May; March with the hero's firmest tread—"Be sure you're right, then go ahead!" —Caleb Dunn.

## IN THE LIGHTHOUSE.

Long was the dash of the angry billows against the face of the cliff upon which the old lighthouse stood, as our heroine, whom we shall call Janet Walker, sat busily engaged upon the coarse jacket of a seaman, in the small, neat apartment of her bleak home.

James Walker had that morning gone to the shore; he sometimes remained there during the night, and as the present was uncommonly wild, she had almost given up his return, but as old Andrew, who was a thorough sailor, remained her guardian on the cliff, she experienced no terror for herself. In a cot beside her slept the joy and pride of her heart, her darling Willie, whose fifth year had just been celebrated by the humble parents with no small pomp.

"There!" she said, with a housewife's pride, as she held up the completed work. "Well done, and just in time"—as she heard a heavy step on the stairs. "You are late tonight, dear," she continued, without looking round, still adjusting the garment.

"Not too late to be welcome, though perhaps not expected," said a gruff voice. She turned in terror, and beheld—not her husband, but one Luke Ridley—a low, ruffianly fellow, who in early life had been a sort of suitor of her own.

"Take no thought for Jim. He'll sleep sound tonight, I'll warrant me," he continued, in a tone that froze her blood. "Come in, Simpkins. And now, sweetheart, you show us where your husband's money is; but there's no hurry, so first give us a bit of cold meat or something."

The brute seated himself opposite to her, regarding her with as insolent a stare as his intoxicated features could assume.

Janet was a brave woman, but her heart failed her as she looked at the pair of villains, especially as she had heard old Andrew's retreating steps, and the wash of the boat as he left the rock. Her safety, therefore, she saw depended upon her own presence of mind. With as steady a hand as she could command, she set before the ruffians the remains of a meal, and to their repeated threats added a flask of spirits, which she felt would render her case almost desperate. One thing she was thankful for—they had not noticed Willie, whose small bed stood in a sort of niche.

Watching her opportunity, when the spirits began to tell, she seized a fowl-piece from the wall, and fired at the dark villain. Merciful powers, it missed!

"Ha! that's your game, is it?" Ridley cried, springing up. "You shall pay for that," as he wrenched her into a seat. "Simpkins, some rope here, quick." Binding her arms to the back of the chair, he exclaimed, "There, you young villain. We'll take your husband's money, then come up and settle with you. I've not forgotten how you jilted me six years ago."

The heavy tramp of the worthies was soon heard descending the stairs. "Mamma!" and a bright golden head was thrust out of its nook. "What shall I do?" in a loud whisper. "Take my scissors, Willie, and cut these ropes."

In a moment her small ally had severed the bonds. Waiting until she heard the ruffians descend to the lowest apartment, she caught up Willie and ran after them. Her heart beat in loud throbs as she entered the basement in which was the trap-door through which they had descended. For a moment she paused; then, with a swift, light step, she approached the trap-door. If she failed, it was death. She seized the heavy planks—they

swung over. In a moment it closed with a loud snap.

Fast and furious were the curses of the robbers. Seizing Willie she hurried to the ladder leading down from the lighthouse to the rocks, but before she had descended she heard the crash which told her they were again at liberty.

In the ledge, or shelving rocks, on which the lighthouse stood, were many irregularities, almost amounting to small caves. Into one of these Janet thrust her boy, charging him on no account to speak unless she called him. "But, dear mamma, this is the Kelpie's rock," he said, alluding to a traditional ghost-story of the neighborhood.

"Never mind, dear, the Kelpie is not at home." As she spoke she saw the ruffians descending the ladder.

"Where is this sea-dragon?" they cried. "We'll make her hard and fast this time, anyhow."

The oaths with which the villain's threats were accompanied made her blood run cold; but she continued to screen herself near the rocks, until a beam of moonlight discovered her hiding-place.

"Now, madam, at high-tide it's all over with you," said Luke Ridley. I shall lay you, my dear, on these stones, with your pretty head just above the tide, for half an hour—no more. You see that white line there? Well, in half an hour that will flow over these rocks."

In spite of her struggle, she was soon secured; and while her tormentors retired to mend the only boat the island afforded—their own had been carried off by Andrew—she heard the lap, lap of the advancing tide.

Once she thought she saw, in the distance, a boat. It must be Andrew. Should she scream? No, they would return and kill her; besides, Willie was yet safe. Oh, if they would but go!

Scrap of their conversation reached her ears.

"I say, Simpkins, make haste mending that boat! There is a revenue cutter somewhere hereabout, and that woman's bawling might have reached them. We must be gone."

"I can't make this old knife work," said the other, in a drawing tone.

Yes, there was a boat, lifting and falling on the distant foam. Would it come too late? The cold water had reached her waist—her neck.

"Mamma, I am so afraid the Kelpie will come home!" and a white face was thrust out to her terror.

"No, Willie—no, dear!" she whispered; "go back!"

"Yes, mamma; and if he comes, I'll say you sent me."

The water was just beneath her chin. Oh, the agony!

"Willie!"

"Yes, mamma," came the whisper.

"There is a knife there; can you creep and get it?"

She watched the little form as it wound along in the shadow of the rock.

"Here, mamma!"

In a moment she had directed him to cut her arm free. Then, with a rapid stroke, she freed herself.

Creeping along in the dark shadow of the rocks, she reached the ladder unperceived; for the men had never seen the advancing boat. Faint and dizzy, she hurried up the lighthouse, and soon the bell swung its rapid peal over the waves, while Willie cheered from a loophole. "Mamma, boat coming! Bad men leave the rocks!"

"Lighthouse, ahoy!" was the musical note that greeted her, as twelve blue jackets bent to the oar.

One wild scream answered, and she fainted.

When she returned to consciousness, Willie was smoothing her face, while the stairs resounded to the tramp of many feet. The door burst open.

"Thank heaven, we come in time to save you! My boat picked up your man, Andrews and you are now under the protection of Lieut. Shirley, of the Arrow."

Held in the grip of the seamen, she beheld Luke Ridley, one of her foes; the other had shot himself when taken. Luke Ridley was transported for life.

Little remains to be told. James Walker was badly wounded by the ruffians, but he survived. As for Willie, report speaks him—now thirty years since the date of my story—one of the bravest and most accomplished captains in the line of Royal Mail steamers; and as his fine vessel rounds a certain headland, he will sometimes tell his friends of the night when he hid in the Kelpie's Hole.—[New York World.]

One of the most excellent of the recent innovations is the introduction of metal ceilings in place of wood and plaster. These ceilings do not shrink or burn like wood.

## LADIES' DEPARTMENT.

### A FAMOUS FEMALE SCULPTOR.

Harriet Hosmer, the sculptor, is a little woman who has not a masculine trait about her. It is forty years since she began the life-work which has made her famous, but time has dealt kindly with her. Her round face beams with a constant smile, and her bright, black eyes sparkle with good humor. Her brown hair is brushed smoothly back from her broad forehead and a black silk net holds it in place. She is usually attired in a neat costume of black silk and velvet, and wears a wide lace scarf about her throat.—[New York Star.]

### SOLITAIRE RINGS ARE OUT.

The day of the huge and brutal solitaire diamond in an engagement ring is over. Men will continue to offer them to their fiancées, but if a girl wants to be very, very correct, she must say: "I prefer something extremely simple—a true-lover's knot in very small diamonds, or diamonds and cat's-eyes, or diamonds and rubies; but it must be simple and inexpensive." There are numerous good reasons for this, the chief of which is the vulgarizing of the solitaire diamond in every possible way. The first thing a woman of vulgar taste buys is a big diamond ring and solitaire earrings; but the "correct" girl eschews earrings altogether, and for a ring prefers something inconspicuous and unique. A tiny true-lover's knot is the thing, or a little heart set around with small stones. Pearls are beautiful, but not advisable for rings, as the action of water ruins them.—[Illustrated American.]

### TWO NOTED WHITE HOUSE LADIES.

Of the women who have had fame and greatness thrust upon them by their husbands becoming Presidents, but two stand out as possessing more than average brains or showing more than negative characters. Mrs. Washington's tastes were for him and housekeeping, and the official duties imposed upon her as "first lady" were a ceremonious bore. She went through them with dignity and according to rule, but she counted time thus spent as her "lost days."

But Mrs. Abigail Adams, wife of John Adams, is famous on her own score as well as by accident of the position of her husband as President. She had remarkable political insight, and was the first woman in America to demand equal rights for women, and urged her husband, pending the adoption of the constitution in 1776, to remember the women, and said they would not hold themselves to obey the laws in which they had no voice. Of course "John" was talked down in the convention, but her son, John Quincy, afterward took up her side in Congress.—[Pittsburg Dispatch.]

### HOW TO DRESS.

Buy one suit a year and have it well made, if the rest of the gowns are evolved out of shreds and patches, says the Boston Traveller. Remember, it is not always economy to try to buy a dress to be worn all the year round. You are then frequently never really suitably dressed. A good winter suit may be made to do the duty two seasons with a little freshing, so the winter and summer gowns may be bought on alternate years. Wait a little until modes cease to fluctuate and embryonic fashion fads have died the death or crystallized into permanency, before ordering a gown.

Pin your faith to the fundamental articles of the creed of good dressing. Don't try cheap gloves or shoes; you will be sorry. Don't forget that fresh ruching, tidy braid, buttons and little fastenings, and the cleanliness and neatness which are the price of eternal vigilance, make the simplest of gowns more genteel than web of silk or cloth of gold elegance untidily worn. To be stylish is a gift as rare as to be musical, poetical, gifted in letters or art. The stylish woman doesn't try to be stylish; she can't help it.

### MEN WHO CAN'T PROPOSE.

"I think it a real shame that we girls do the proposing at times," pouted a young lady to her companion on a suburban train a few mornings ago. "I'm sure we wouldn't make such terrible work of it as some young men do. When a young man is dying to propose, and a young lady is dying to have him do so, it seems though it ought to be a simple matter to reach an understanding."

"What has set you to talking in that strain?" asked her companion. "Have you been having trouble with bashful young men?"

"No, they're not bashful, goodness knows, but they are foolish." And then she lowered her voice to a little

above a whisper and continued: "You know Mr. Waitwhile has been calling upon me for nearly two years, and for the last several months he has been just dying to propose. I did everything a lady could reasonably be expected to do to make it easy for him. You know how awful it would appear if we seemed to urge matters in the least. But still he hesitated and waited until I became exasperated. As a last resort I thought I might bring him to his senses by telling him that a certain other young gentleman, whose name I did not mention, wished to call on me, and I wanted him to intimate if such an arrangement would be agreeable to him."

"He didn't have spunk enough to say anything to me, but in the privacy of his own room he wrote me, saying he feared his society was no longer agreeable to me, and that he would await an invitation from me before calling again. Now he's a good young man, sensible in everything else but lovmaking. Of course when he comes back matters will be brought to an understanding, but it is awfully humiliating to have to write to him."

"If I were in your place," said her companion, who had been a patient and very much interested listener to the story, "I'd just let him go and let the other young gentleman call in his stead."

"But there is no other young gentleman. I just made up that story for the occasion, you understand."

"Oh!" said her companion, "that's very different."—[Chicago Herald.]

### FOR ROSEBUDS OF MARRIAGE.

Let me venture a few little points to those of my girls who since the summer have worn a bright ring on their third finger, says the Ladies' Home Journal.

My dear, don't let the man to whom you are engaged to be married pay any of the expenses of your living or trousseau until you are his wife. A calico dress and contentment are much more to be desired than a fine silk one garnished with scandal.

Don't complain to the man to whom you are engaged of the different members of your own family; it is not a good preface to matrimonial bliss.

Don't write silly letters to him, even if he is fond of affection given in that way. Let it be by word of mouth, rather than with pen and ink.

Don't expect him to love you as no man has ever loved before; the methods of loving are very much the same all the world over. Be satisfied if you have got a good, honest love.

Don't believe that he is a combination in beauty of all the ancient gods, of all the gallant knights and of all the great statesmen; but conclude that he is a gentleman, and that should be your ideal.

Don't believe that he is thinking of you every hour of his life. He is not; be satisfied if he is working away, with every now and then giving a thought to the girl for whom he is making a home over which he expects her to preside as a loving, thoughtful wife.

### FASHION NOTES.

The silken fleece of the Chinese poodle is used for lining some cloaks. Sleeves are still very long, coming down over the hand Theodora fashion.

Embroidered crape is probably the most fashionable stuff used for evening dresses.

Table silver to be fashionable must be modeled after the designs of the middle ages.

The stones most often selected for a Marquise ring is an opal surrounded with diamonds.

The ribbon so much used as trimming at the present time is of gros grain with satin edges.

Among jewels there is a new stone to which the French have given the name of "Pierre Tonkinoise."

Flowers are not to be worn with evening dress this year, unless the dress is trimmed with flowers.

All the inhabitants of the fashionable world are wearing gloves to match their gowns, whether they be blue, green or red.

Stylish jackets are made of blue officers' cloth, tight fitting, with shoulder pieces and sleeves braided with a darker shade of blue.

A slashed puff of contrasting material carried all around the figure just below the waist is an improvement to some of the evening dresses.

White kid gloves have taken the place of tan shades for evening toilets. They are worn smooth on the arms and shorter than formerly.

A tiny true lover's knot, or a little heart set around with small stones, is the engagement ring now selected by young girls of "correct" taste.

## FOR THE HOUSEWIFE.

### REMOVING GREASE FROM CLOTH.

There are various ways of removing grease from cloth, and each way has its adherents, but as there are different kinds of grease and different dyes, a never-failing cleanser has yet to be discovered. Sometimes the following preparation works like magic: Put some salts of wormwood in a cup and leave it in a damp place until it has become a liquid. Drop a couple of drops of this on the grease spot, then wash immediately with luke-warm water and then with cold water. Oil of tartar can be used instead of salts of wormwood.—[New York World.]

### DOUBLE BOILER FOR SWEET POTATOES.

Sweet potatoes, unless roasted, require skillful cooking, as to be at their best they should be dry and mealy when served. If they are cooked so that the water can touch them they are apt to be watery, and it is difficult to expel the water from them. One good way when boiling them is to select them nearly the same size as possible; wash them and put them into cold water without any salt. Boil until a fork will easily pierce the largest one; then take them up and lay in the oven to dry a few moments. Remove the skins before sending to the table. But a better way is to cook them in a "double boiler," and then the water cannot touch them. A very small double boiler may be gotten for 50 cents, and a larger one for 80 cents or \$1.

Make your own double boilers, however, if you cannot afford a better one, by setting a tin pail that has a close cover into a kettle of boiling water, or a tin pail inside of a larger one. Wash your sweet potatoes—without peeling—wipe them off that no water may cling to them, cut them in half if they are large, put them in a smaller pail, which must be dry inside, and push the cover down closely so that no water or steam may get in. Set this pail into a larger one two-thirds full of boiling water. Put a cover over the large pail and the potatoes will come out of the small pail when done dry and mealy. This arrangement, or the double boiler, is nice for cooking rice, custards, etc.—[New York News.]

### VARIOUS USES OF KEROSENE.

There are many ways in which kerosene may be utilized in housework. The following have been collected by Good Housekeeping: Marks on tables caused by hot dishes may be removed by kerosene rubbed in well with a soft cloth, finishing with a little cologne water, rubbed dry with another cloth. When giving the final polish to stoves, before putting away for the summer, mix the blacking with a little kerosene instead of water, to prevent rust. Tarnished paint may be cleaned by rubbing with a cloth wet with kerosene. Black walnut, or any wood finished in oil, may be kept bright by polishing with kerosene.

Pour a teaspoonful of kerosene into each quart of boiled starch, for a gloss. This will also prevent irons sticking to thin goods. Kerosene will brighten silver. Rub lamp-chimneys with newspaper on which has been poured a little kerosene. This will make them much clearer than if soap is used; they will also be less liable to crack. To remove rust from steel, rub with kerosene and soak for a day, polishing with emery dust and kerosene. Rub rusty flatirons with kerosene. Kerosene will soften boots and shoes hardened by water, and render them as pliable as new. Brighten zinc with kerosene.

A tablespoonful of kerosene in a boiler of clothes will greatly facilitate the rubbing. Iron and polished steel, when not in use, may be kept from rusting by wiping with a cloth on which a little kerosene has been poured. Oilcloth may be brightened by rubbing with kerosene. All soiled spots found around door knobs on light-painted doors may be removed by kerosene on flannel cloth, with no injury to the paint. Kerosene poured on red flannel and bound on the throat will greatly ease a sore throat. It will also heal cuts and cure chilblains.

### RECIPE.

Apes.—One-half pound of flour, one-quarter pound butter, one-quarter pound sugar, a tonic glassful water, one-eighth glass of rose water, one teaspoonful nutmeg and cinnamon (mixed).

German Toast.—This is a simple dish that many are familiar with. Cut stale slices of bread half an inch thick; dip first in milk, allowing each slice to remain long enough to soak up some of it, then dip in beaten egg and fry brown in hot butter. Sprinkle with sugar and a very little powdered cinnamon.

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The orange crop in Seville and Sicily is reported a failure.

A number of New York churches advertise their services in the elevated trains.

The commander-in-chief of Uncle Sam's army receives a salary of \$13,000 a year.

Korea has only twenty-four missionaries, or about one to every 500,000 people.

Washington Irving's father was a Scotchman, while his mother was of English parentage.

Cincinnati peddlers complain because they are paying the city \$11,285, while the street-car companies pay but \$26,029.

It is estimated that four-fifths of the engines now working in the world have been built within the last twenty-five years.

There are a dozen bathrooms in Washington that have cost all the way from \$1000 to \$10,000 apiece. One Senator's house has nine bathrooms, all of which are finished in mahogany.

In order that bread baked at a United States Army garrison bakery shall not come in competition with that sold by citizen bakers, it can only be sold to persons connected with the military service.

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### STUMPED.

To get rid of large stumps get a straight tree 25 to 30 feet long and 10 to 12 inches through the butt. Any length or size can be used, according to the power desired. Next get a strong chain, the stronger the better. Attach a good yoke of cattle to the small end of the lever and draw it to the stump. Now pass your big chain around a large root and the lever at the same time. Fasten the chain tightly and start the team, driving on a circle. See how easily the stump will twist. A small stump will come out whole, but large ones will usually split into two or three pieces. These can be piled and burned clean after drying a short time. I have used one to clear several acres of large stumps and it did the business and left the stump in good shape to dry. If some one can tell a cheaper way, let us hear it. —[New York Witness.]

### PLOUGHING WITH THREE HORSES.

I always dislike to see a team overloaded so as to cause balking in bad places, writes an Indiana farmer, and think it just as bad to make one horse do the work where two should be used, or two compelled to draw the plough in ground where the strength of three is not too much. A team of three abreast can be managed as easily as two, and the satisfaction of following a team that steps off freely, as if they knew they were not overtaxed, is worthy of taking into account, even if one has no feeling for the horses. By attaching a doubletree for two, and a singletree for one horse, to a long even draught is easily adjusted so that no one has more to pull than another. With such a team, without any fretting or urging, a man can do a third more work in a day in ploughing land hard to break up than he can with two horses that have all they can do to pull the plough along. Besides this the work will be done better and the team not overworked. —[New York World.]

### HOW CUCUMBERS ARE GROWN.

Cucumbers are usually grown for pickles, and a small variety, as the green prolific, is chosen. The land is well plowed and harrowed and furrowed out four feet apart each way. At each intersection a shovelful of manure is dropped and covered with soil, and four to six seeds are dropped. These are afterward thinned out to three plants, which are kept hoed, and the tips of the vines are pinched off as soon as they begin to meet, so as to encourage the growth of lateral shoots which bear the fruit. This is important, as the yield depends upon it.

All the gourd tribe of plants have this habit of bearing, and unless pinched back in this way are not fruitful. As soon as the fruit begins to appear, the crop is gathered daily; two or three inches is the best length, and when larger than this they are not suitable for picking. A good yield is over one hundred thousand per acre, and the usual price is from \$1 to \$3 per 1000, depending upon the supply and the demand. It is safest to contract the crop early in the season to some dealer or pickling factory. —[New York Times.]

### GOOD FOOD MAKES GOOD BUTTER.

Every dairyman and every dairyman's wife knows that the first result of poor food is decrease in the butter. They know who are in the habit of reading that the burden of the agricultural journals has been and is the feeding of foods rich in fat for the production of milk rich in fat. Food makes butter, and if it does, then reduction in the supply of food causes a reduced yield of butter. If the statement above made is true, and to feed straw will cause the cow to yield milk richer in fats, then the practice of the dairyman must be changed; all the deductions for thirty or forty years of experimenting in feeding animals go

for nothing, and we have to turn back and retrace all these steps.

Feeding to a standard for maintenance and reducing the food a little will give us more butter in proportion to the milk. This is precisely the opposite of all the practice in testing cows for largest product of butter, and upsets all the calculations in respect thereto. It is clearly an outgrowth of that irrational and erroneous belief still insisted upon by some persons that no kind of good feeding can change the normal proportion of various solids in milk to each other, and the reduction ad absurdum of that foolish opinion. That a cow's milk will become richer and richer through a course of absolute starvation until death takes the last drop of fat for its portion is the dream of a person far gone to dementia. —[New York Times.]

### EARLY AND LATE POTATOES.

The advice is being widely copied to plant all potatoes early, and especially to plant the earliest varieties, as least likely to be affected by blight and rot. There is something in the theory that the longer a variety of potatoes is in maturing, the greater chance disease has to attack it. The same principle favors early planting and early varieties, in order to escape attacks of the potato beetle. The old-fashioned peach-blow potato was so extremely late that it furnished food for successive crops of potato larvae all through the summer until frost came. For this reason probably it was the first to run out when potato beetles began to be numerous.

Yet it is an unquestioned fact that the larger proportion of potatoes grown for market are of late varieties, and late planted at that. The very early price is often much higher, and a few are planted as soon as the ground can be prepared, to meet the demand about the 4th of July, when \$1.50 to \$2 a bushel is the ruling price for a few days. Yet these very early potatoes are such light yielders that no large grower ever thinks of planting them extensively. They usually sell all the early potatoes they have, not reserving even for seed, which they can obtain from more northern regions in better condition for planting next spring.

What is the use of keeping over from July to April potatoes that in the first-named month will bring fancy prices for early, and which it is almost impossible to keep through the fall and winter without sprouting till their substance is wholly exhausted. If farmers want to grow their own seed potatoes of early varieties they should plant late as the first to the middle of July. By the time the potatoes are set, the weather will be cooler, and the fall rains will usually have begun.

Late varieties of potatoes are often better crops when planted quite late. An early planting for them means forming the tubers during the hottest and driest season of the year. But seasons differ in this respect, and it is impossible to foreknow which planting shall be the best; but for early potatoes two plantings, the early for market at higher prices, and the later for seed and a larger crop, would seem to be advisable. —[Boston Cultivator.]

### FARM AND GARDEN NOTES.

Invariably cover with leaves Sweet Williams and snapdragons.

The Iowa Horticultural Society characterize the tree blackberry as a fraud.

Farm, Stock and Home knows of one good egg-eating hen, namely, the dead one.

S. M. Owen reminds farmers that winter brings opportunity to rest the hands and work the brain.

Tender blackberries and raspberries may be carefully bent down and covered with leaves or litter.

Grapes should be pegged down to the ground. A few sorts like Goethe, Iona and Duchess, must be covered. Use earth, loose manure or leaves.

Cover strawberries lightly with horse manure. Leaves will do if held on. The plants, however, must not be smothered with too heavy covering.

E. G. Fowler mentions the driving out by European sparrows of bluebirds and wrens from birdhouses in his grounds, to which they had returned as we come and most useful guests.

Si and housed soon after cutting gray birch, willow or pine makes good firewood, the Massachusetts Plover says, whereas if exposed with bark on to weather it soon becomes "dozy" and almost worthless.

If breeding for breeding purposes, in the large breeds, the weight of carcass is the first requisite. In the smaller breeds, beauty of form and marking of plumage are the first requirements.

## The Advantages of Conversation.

The most agreeable way of getting information is by conversation. If you talk with a well-informed person, who can express clearly his ideas on any subject in which you are interested, you can have explanations, you can go over the subject until you thoroughly understand it, and searching out in this way, in the mind of another, a thing which you earnestly desire to know, you are more likely to remember it and to profit by it. This is why a competent teacher is better than any text-book. Besides, talk inspires both the speaker and the listener—the one becomes more eager to know and the other more eager to communicate. —[St. Nicholas.]

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## WASHINGTON LETTER.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 12, 1891.

Free silver coinage is in every body's mouth just now, and its friends say that nothing can prevent its adoption by the Senate of a free coinage amendment to the financial bill, when the measure is voted upon, and as the voting is to begin on Wednesday of the present week, the excitement is beginning to run quite high. It is also stated by the same parties that the bill can be passed by the House, and that Speaker Reed has stated privately that, although personally opposed to the bill, he will not attempt to exercise his authority as Speaker to defeat it.

There is no tariff on credulity, and any body can believe that Mr. Reed has made such a statement who wishes to, but I beg to be excused. The Senate may, in fact it is almost certain to adopt the free coinage amendment, and the House may also do the same, but the foundation for believing that it will is not at all solid. If such an amendment goes through the House, it will in my opinion first have to overcome the active opposition of Mr. Reed and some of the hardest parliamentary fighters, on both sides of the House, to say nothing of the opposition of Mr. Harrison and his administration, who has already shown itself to be a powerful factor in controlling and forcing legislation in the House, although it has failed in the Senate.

There are some queer things about this financial matter, and some surprises may be in store for the country before it is settled. Senator-elect Calvin S. Brice, who is also chairman of the Democratic national committee, has been conferring with prominent Democrats here, and it is believed that his object is to combine the Democrats in Congress in favor of free coinage, which would result in killing off Mr. Cleveland as a Presidential candidate, as he is supposed to stand about where Mr. Harrison does on that subject. Another puzzling thing is that men in both parties who are known to be bitterly opposed to free coinage, are as usual as clams as to what they propose doing. Only three Republican Senators—Sherman, Morrill and Hisscock—have spoken against free coinage, and not a single Democrat has spoken against it, although a number of them have spoken for it.

Representative Turner's explanation of the forgery of the letter offering a bribe, which he is alleged to have written to Mr. McGrath of the Kansas Farmers Alliance, is accepted by those who know him, but the general public demands something more definite—the arrest and punishment of the forger for instance. This Mr. Turner says will be done as quick as he can locate the man, whose name he has not made public.

Much surprise was created by a report from the Committee of Foreign Relations which was presented to the Senate Saturday. After reciting the great importance to this country of the Nicaragua ship canal and the progress made by the company which is building it, it recommends that the law chartering that company be amended so as to make the United States Government guarantee the \$100,000,000 of bonds which it is estimated will be required to build the canal, in order that the aforesaid bonds may be sold at par. That would certainly be an excellent arrangement for the company, but where does Uncle Sam come in? If the concern is profitable the company will, of course, take care of its bonds and retain all the profits, but if it is unprofitable Uncle Sam will have to foot the bills. Inquisitive people are already asking ugly questions about this proposition, which will hardly get through the House, even if the Senate should adopt it.

The House isn't making much progress with the Shipping bill, and its opponents are expressing more confidence of defeating it.

Democratic Senators are very much afraid that the Election bill will again be taken up by the Senate after the financial bill is disposed of, but so far as I can learn none of its Republican friends appear to have any hope of its ever becoming a law, though they admit their intention to try to get it before the Senate again in a few days, but it will be a very difficult job, as the apportionment bill, the Pure Food bill, and the Labor bills, to say nothing of the regular appropriation bills, will all antagonize it.

Representative Anderson, of Kansas, wants to know something about the combine of western railroads now being consummated by Jay Gould in New York, and he has offered a resolution instructing the Interstate Commerce Commission to ascertain what is being done and to report to Congress. There are a good many other people who agree with Mr. Anderson and it is to be hoped that the information may be obtained.

A bill has been introduced in the Senate by Mr. Morrill, chairman of the committee on Public Buildings and Grounds, providing for an addition to the White House upon plans suggested by Mrs. Harrison.

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## EAST LEXINGTON LOCALS.

—Every one always looks forward to the organization of the General Court of Massachusetts with much interest, and now that the session has begun the future alone can tell what good and effective work the Legislature of '91 will do.

—The January thaw of Sunday spoiled the good sleighing. It remains to be seen whether we enjoy ninety days of sleighing this winter as the weather prophets predict.

—Ice every where. "Look down and not up" has been the motto with pedestrians.

—Rev. Mr. Blunt preached last Sabbath, taking his text from different places, his subject being "The Brotherhood of Man."

—The Chautauqua Club met with Mrs. Frank H. Locke, last Monday afternoon. They had a very pleasant meeting, the time being occupied with a review of the outline history of England which they had studied the past three months. The next gathering will be with Mrs. Hawkins.

—There were large sleighing parties from various cities and towns every evening last week at the Willard. They apparently had jolly times and found the proprietor, Mr. Locke, the man for the place.

—The Euchre Club met at Mr. F. Alderman's this week.

—The Charles V. Marsh Camp, Sons of Veterans, had a very pleasant social dancing party at Village Hall, last Tuesday evening. The party was conducted by young men from Arlington and Lexington. Holbrook's band furnished excellent music and the cold, crisp air only rendered the dancers more enthusiastic and the refreshments served more appetizing. Village Hall is just the place for real enjoyment when the parties are not large. It always gives a cheery, social welcome.

—Plenty of ice cream next summer. We can keep cool without counting the cost.

—There was no sessions of the schools last week Wednesday, as the teachers visited, we think, some of the Boston schools.

—The gentlemen committee solicit contributors to the fair. Will they allow the "fair ones" to have a finger in this part of the pie?

—This is the weather that makes the blacksmiths' happy. It is particularly true in regard to the horses, that "All's well that ends well."

—Our reading room is frequented, these winter evenings, and is a most pleasant place to read the latest magazines and papers.

—The circulars are out announcing the grand fair which comes off Jan. 28 and 29, at Village Hall, in aid of the Follen church. Having received no official notice to proclaim as yet the many and great inducements which it offers, and as it does not come off until another issue of our paper, we forbear from entering into details this time. If the shadow cast by coming events is always true, there is promise of a great affair. All are anxious to see what the gentlemen can do with the reins of government entirely in their own hands and they are as equally determined to rival and equal the ladies of the Follen church, which is no slight task.

—We hear that the Toboggan Club had a pleasant party in Village Hall this week. There is a compensation for every loss.

—We are informed that Father Kavanaugh, of St. Bridget's church, has a select party at hall, this evening. Surely Village Hall is in demand.

—Miss Maria Butterfield has been detained at home by a week's sickness, which has necessitated the temporary closing of the Howard school.

—Notwithstanding the heavy rain and bad travelling last Sunday, quite a large number assembled at the Follen church. The hour was devoted to testimony, prayer and singing. The services were conducted by Mr. David S. Muzzey and the subject was the Prodigal Son. There will be a meeting next Sabbath, at Follen church, by the young people, at 3.15 p. m. All are invited.

—The School Committee has decided to hire no music teacher for the remainder of the year but let the teachers instruct the children according to the methods adopted by Mr. Cutter. All feel that it will be a hard place for a new teacher.

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## GOD'S CARE OF ELIJAH.

LESSON III, FIRST QUARTER, INTERNATIONAL SERIES, JAN. 18.

Text of the Lesson, 1 Kings xvii, 1-16. Commit Verses, 2-5—Golden Text, Ps. xxxiv, 10—Commentary by Rev. D. M. Stearns.

[Compiled from Lesson Helper Quarterly by permission of H. S. Hoffman, publisher, Philadelphia.]

1. "And Elijah the Tishbite, who was of the inhabitants of Gilead, said unto Ahab."

Sixty years have passed since the kingdom was divided. Six kings have reigned over the ten tribes (Jeroboam, Nadab, Baasha, Elah, Zimri and Omri), each seeming to excel his predecessor in wickedness (xvi, 25, 30), and all walking in the ways of Jeroboam, who made Israel to sin (xvi, 16; xv, 30, 34; xvi, 19, 20), and now we have Ahab, the seventh, the worst of all, the perfection of wickedness (xvi, 33). As the Lord God of Israel liveth, before whom I stand, there shall not be dew nor rain these years, but according to my word."

2. "And the word of the Lord came unto him, saying,"  
"There is nothing under the sun like 'the word of the Lord.' It is pure, sure, and unchanging like the Lord Himself. 'Forever, O Lord, thy word is settled in heaven.' 'The word of our God shall stand forever.' His name is called the word of God (Ps. cxix, 89; Isa. xl, 8; Rev. xxi, 13). Let us be filled with His word and wholly subject to it."

3. "Hide thyself by the brook Cherith, that is before Jordan."  
"Get thee hence" teaches us that one who would live close to God must not tarry long with those who know Him not; just long enough to testify for Him and then be gone.  
4. "Thou shalt drink of the brook; and I have commanded the ravens to feed thee there."  
5. "So he went and did according unto the word of the Lord."  
Here is one man who is obedient; he questions not, but simply obeys. He is subject to the word of the Lord.

6. "And the ravens brought him bread and flesh in the morning, and bread and flesh in the evening; and he drank of the brook."  
He could sing the song of Hab. iii, 17, 18, and say, "Though vineyard, field and flock all fail, yet I will rejoice in the Lord, I will joy in the God of my salvation!"  
7. "And it came to pass, after awhile, that the brook dried up, because there had been no rain in the land."

The source of this brook was not unfailing; it was dependent upon the clouds, which empty their contents upon the earth. Elijah, however, depended neither upon the brook nor upon the clouds, but upon Him who is far above all.

8. "And the word of the Lord came unto him."  
God does not forget those who trust in Him, nor is He ever too late with His providing. Elijah saw the brook drying up day by day, but so did his God whom he served. Just enough of the necessities of this life, and one day's supply at a time, keeps one very close to God, while an abundance is apt to lead us to forget Him.

9. "Arise, get thee to Zarephath, \* \* \* behold I have commanded a widow woman there to sustain thee."  
Young says that Zarephath signifies "place of refining;" and if Cherith signifies "cutting," as the word would seem to indicate, we can see the processes by which the Lord was fitting His servant for the great day on Carmel. Without the cutting and refining of Cherith and Zarephath he never would have been able to stand alone for God as he afterward did on Carmel.

10. "When he came to the gate of the city, behold the widow woman was there gathering of sticks."  
It was quite a journey from Cherith to Zarephath, but the journey is not noticed. Observe the silence of Scripture concerning such matters.

11. "Bring me, I pray thee, a morsel of bread in thine hand."  
As he came near to the city and saw this poor woman the Spirit must have whispered, "This is she."

12. "As the Lord thy God liveth, I have not a cake, but an handful of meal in a barrel, and a little oil in a cruse."  
Behold the lady that is to sustain the prophet in this widow's home. By the brook he had bread and flesh twice a day; but now there is no flesh, and only enough meal to make one last cake for the woman and her son, after which they expect to die.

13. "And Elijah said unto her, Fear not; go and do as thou hast said."  
He wavers not, he trembles not, he is not moved; "his heart is fixed, trusting in the Lord;" he waits only upon God; his expectation is from Him" (Ps. cxli, 7; lxi, 3, 6). God, who could direct ravens to find bread and flesh, can as easily supply the need in this case. If ever a woman had cause to fear to give away her last morsel surely this woman had; but the command came strong and clear; "Fear not. \* \* \* Make me a little cake first."

If we would grow strong in faith let us consider well the "Fear not" of Scripture from the first ones in Gen. xv, 1; xxi, 17, to the last in Revelation, and see how God, even our own God, is above all circumstances of time or place; and how abiding in His love will cast out all fear (1 John iv, 18).

14. "Thus saith the Lord God of Israel, the barrel of meal shall not waste, neither shall the cruse of oil fail, until the day the Lord sendeth rain upon the earth."  
It would seem from this that God had told Elijah how he would provide in this case, viz., by a miraculous increase of the meal and oil from day to day; and this is told the widow for her encouragement, for she has not been living at Cherith, and has not learned the secret of peace when cut off from seen resources. This meal and oil would make unleavened bread, symbol of the putting away of all evil (1 Cor. v, 7, 8), for we cannot know the power of God unless we walk with him in sincerity and truth.

15. "And she went and did according to the saying of Elijah; and she, and he, and her house did eat many days (Margin: 'A full year')."

Here again is obedience and consequent blessing. It was a poor time to take in a boarder, with not enough in the house for present company. It seemed to the disciples a poor time to have 5,000 hungry men around when five loaves and two fishes were all that the disciples had for themselves. But they learned, and this widow learned, that "There is that scattereth and yet increaseth" (Prov. xi, 24). Many are poor because they keep their little all for themselves.

16. "The barrel of meal wasted not, neither did the cruse of oil fail, according to the word of the Lord, which he spake by Elijah."

This is the fourth time that we have met in this lesson the expression, "the word of the Lord." We called attention to it in the second verse, urging full subjection.

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